

Baryogenesis Relics from Binary Pulsars to Terrestrial Experiments

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Baryon number violating phenomenology

- Motivated by baryogenesis: Sakharov conditions
 - CP violation
 - Displacement from thermal equilibrium
 - **Baryon number violation (BNV)**
- \sim TeV scale effective operators
- Describe low energy physics with **ChPT**
- **Neutron stars and binary pulsar systems**
→ rich environment to search for BNV!

A variety of probes:

Baryon $\rightarrow \psi \gamma$ and other
Rare Decays

BNV in Neutron Stars

LHC Pheno: Monojets,
Monotops, and dijets

Neutron-anti-neutron
oscillations

...etc

Alonso-Álvarez, Elor, Escudero, Fornal, Grinstein, Camalich [[2111.12712](#)]
also: Davoudiasl, Morrissey, Sigurdson, Tulin [[1106.4320](#)]

Berryman, Gardner, Zakeri [[2305.13377](#)]
[[2311.13649](#)] [[2201.02637](#)]

Specific Model: A Majorana fermion + color-triplet scalar

	SU(3) _c	SU(2) _L	U(1) _Y
$X^{1,2}$	3	1	+4/3
ψ	1	1	0

(suppressing color indices)

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \lambda_i \left(X \bar{u}_i P_L \psi + X^* \bar{\psi} P_R u_i \right) + \lambda'_{ij} \left(X^* \bar{d}_i P_L d_j^c + X \bar{d}_j^c P_R d_i \right)$$

- If $X^{1,2}$ have CP-violating phases, baryon asymmetry can be explained
- If $(m_p - m_e) < m_\psi < (m_p + m_e)$ ψ can be the DM, proton stable
- $\lambda' = 0$ for $i=j$
- $m_\psi \sim 1$ GeV
- $m_X \gtrsim 1$ TeV

See e.g.:

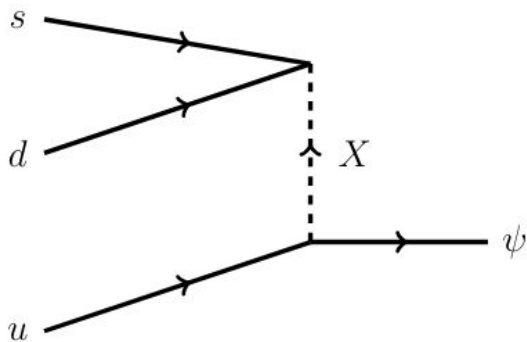
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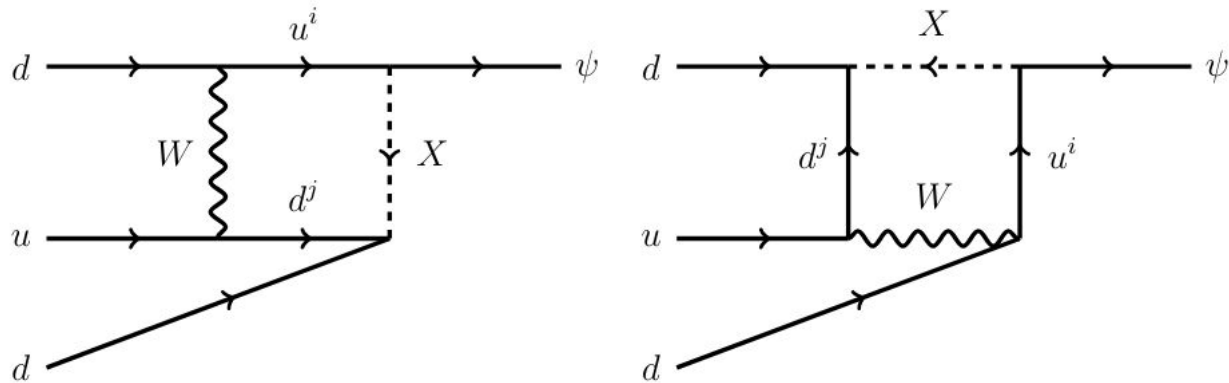
Generating a Baryon Mixing to ψ ($\Delta B=1$)

$\Lambda \rightarrow \psi$ mixing



ds-u coupling or $\lambda_1 \lambda'_{12}$
at tree level

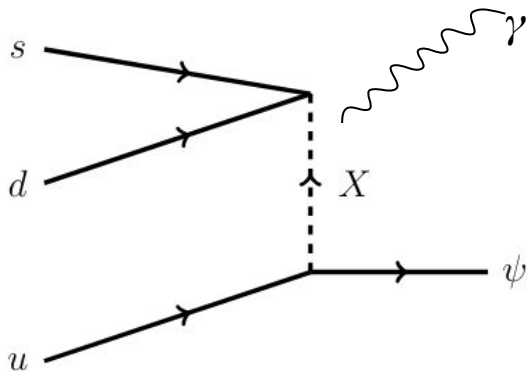
$n \rightarrow \psi$ mixing



All higher-generational
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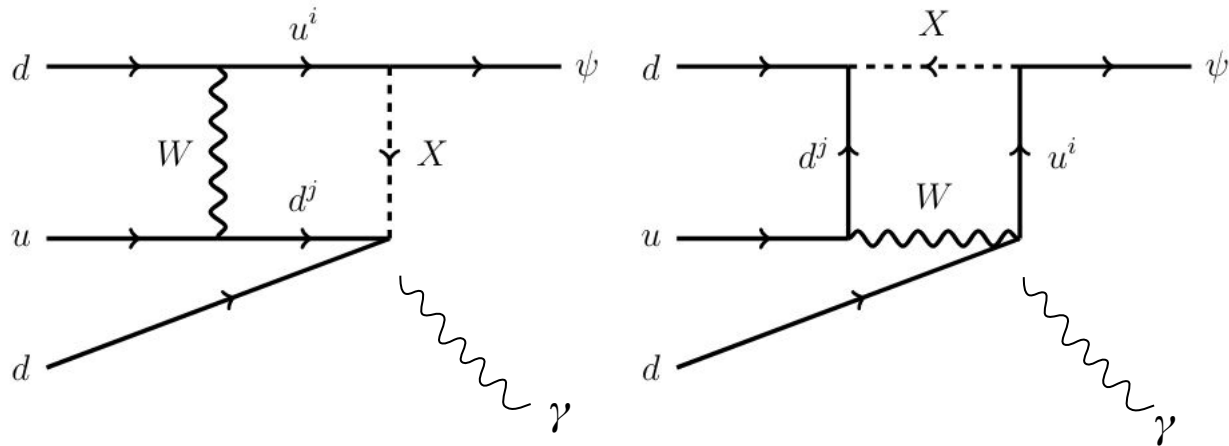
Decays of the Baryons to ψ and a Photon ($\Delta B=1$)

$\Lambda \rightarrow \psi \gamma$ decay at tree level



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Operator Matching to the ChiPT Lagrangian (*d-s-u coupling*)

New physics "spurion"

$$O_{ij} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{jkl} (q_k q_l) (q_i \psi) \iff \mathcal{L}_6 = \text{Tr}[\hat{C}^R O]$$

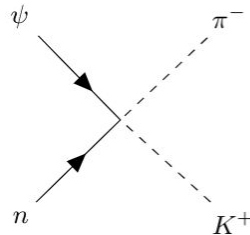


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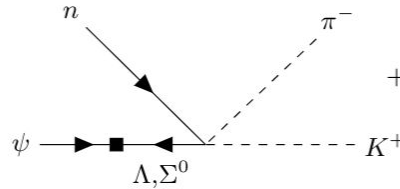
Meson Octet

Baryon Octet

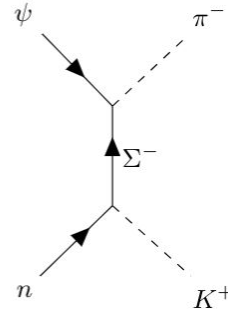
1. Match the quark-level operator to the SU(3) representation after integrating out the heavy X
2. Write down the SU(3)-invariant interactions between the new physics spurion C^R and the meson octet $u \sim e^{\phi/f}$ and baryon octet B



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Claudson, Wise, Hall, 1981

Expansion of the ChiPT New Physics Lagrangian: Zeroth order

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Zeroth order expansion:



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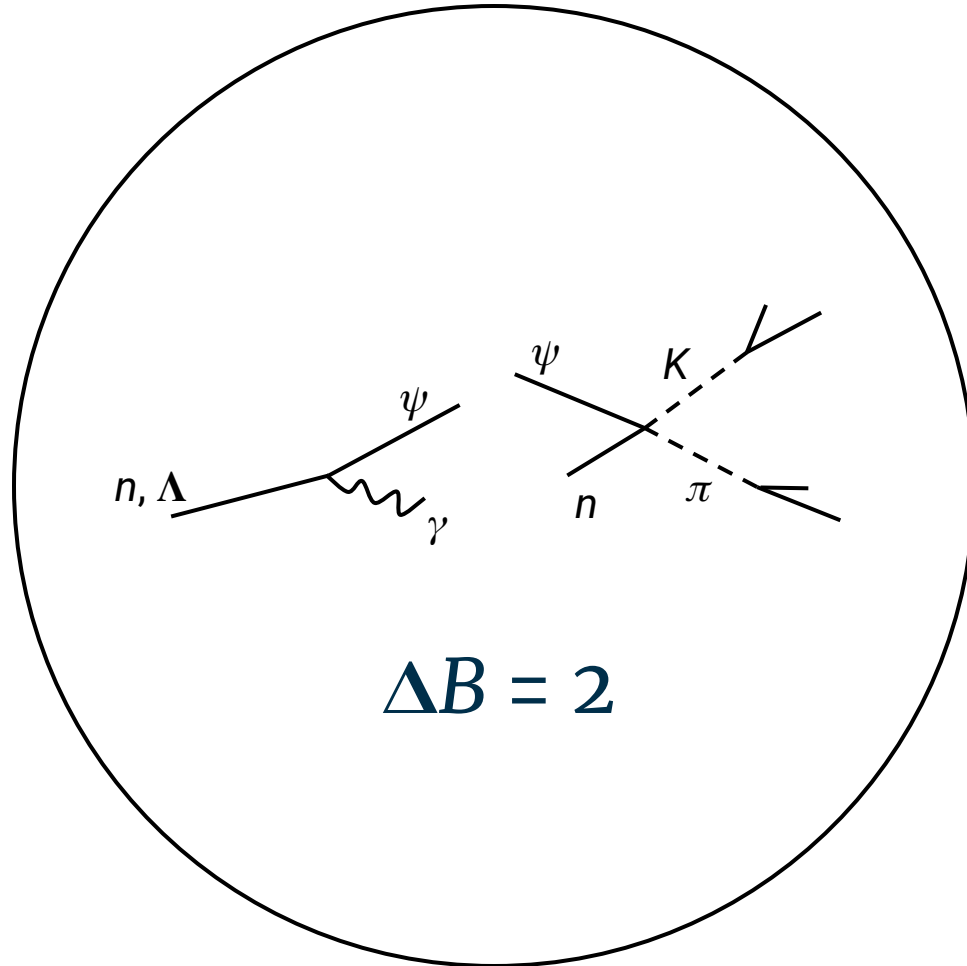
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Second order expansion:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff,ChPT}}^{(0)} \supset & \frac{\beta}{f_\pi^2} \frac{\lambda_1 \lambda'_{12}}{m_X^2} \left(-\sqrt{\frac{3}{8}} K^- K^+ \bar{\psi}^c P_R \Lambda - \frac{K^- K^+ \bar{\psi}^c P_R \Sigma^0}{2\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\pi^+ K^- \bar{\psi}^c P_R n}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{\eta^8 K^- \bar{\psi}^c P_R p}{4} + \frac{\pi^0 K^- \bar{\psi}^c P_R p}{4\sqrt{2}} \right. \\ & + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{\eta^8 K^+ \bar{\psi}^c P_R \Xi^-}{4} + \frac{\pi^- K^+ \bar{\psi}^c P_R \Xi^0}{2} + \frac{\pi^0 K^+ \bar{\psi}^c P_R \Xi^-}{4\sqrt{2}} - \frac{K^0 \pi^+ \bar{\psi}^c P_R \Xi^-}{4F^2} \\ & + \frac{\pi^0 \pi^- \bar{\psi}^c P_R \Sigma^+}{2\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\pi^0 \pi^+ \bar{\psi}^c P_R \Sigma^-}{2\sqrt{2}} - \frac{K^+ \bar{K}^0 \bar{\psi}^c P_R \Sigma^-}{4} - \frac{\pi^- \bar{K}^0 \bar{\psi}^c P_R p}{4} \\ & \left. - \frac{K^0 K^- \bar{\psi}^c P_R \Sigma^+}{4} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \pi^- \pi^+ \bar{\psi}^c P_R \Sigma^0 + \text{h.c.} \right) + \mathcal{O}(1/f_\pi^3) \end{aligned}$$

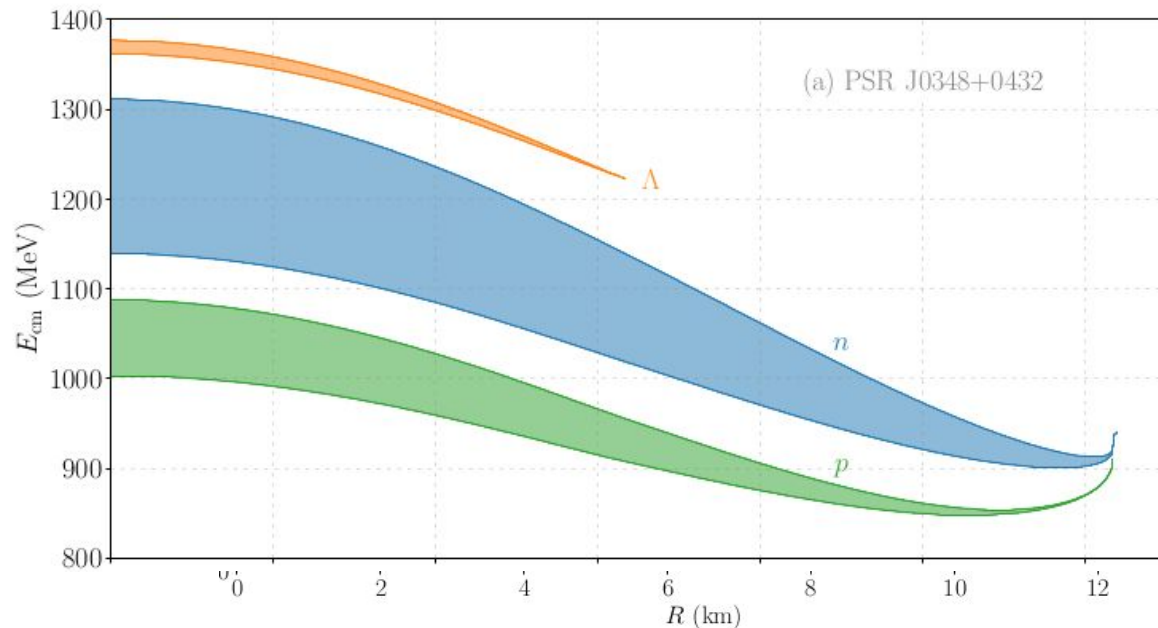
Neutron Star



$$\Delta B = 2$$

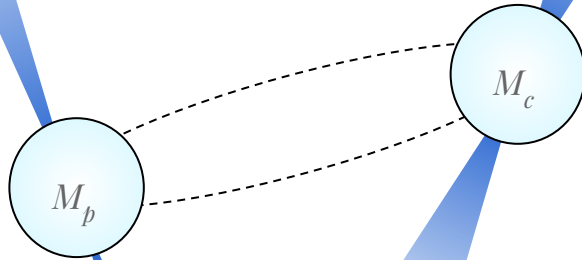
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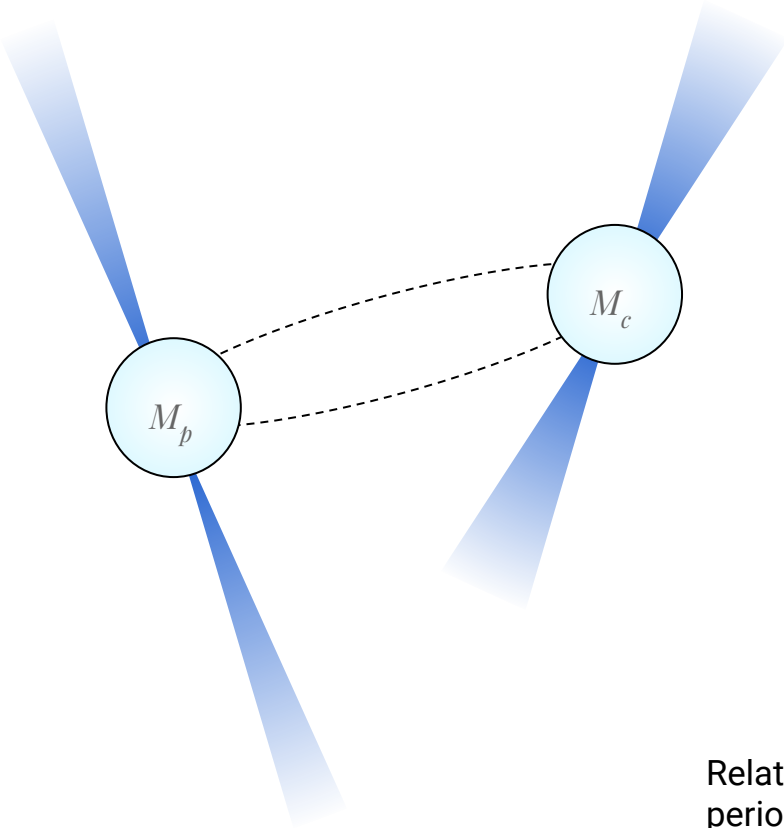
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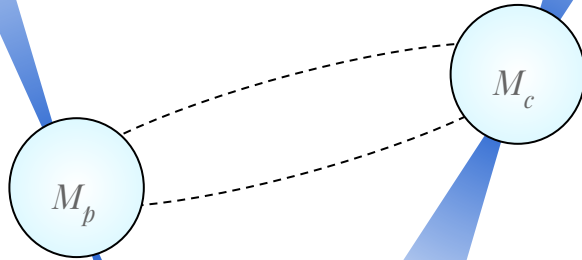
$$\dot{M}^{\text{eff}} \equiv \frac{d}{dt} \left(M + \frac{1}{2} I \Omega^2 \right) = \underbrace{b(M) \left(\frac{\dot{B}}{B} \right) M + b(I) \left(\frac{\dot{B}}{B} \right) \left(\frac{2\pi^2 I}{P_s^2} \right)}_{\text{RNV}} - \frac{4\pi^2 I \dot{P}_s}{P_s^3}$$

$$\left(\frac{\dot{P}_b}{P_b} \right)^{\text{obs}} = \underbrace{\left(\frac{\dot{P}_b}{P_b} \right)^{\text{GR}} + \left(\frac{\dot{P}_b}{P_b} \right)^{\dot{E}}}_{\text{intrinsic}} + \left(\frac{\dot{P}_b}{P_b} \right)^{\text{ext}}$$

Relative rate of orbital period decay

BNV perturbs the energy loss

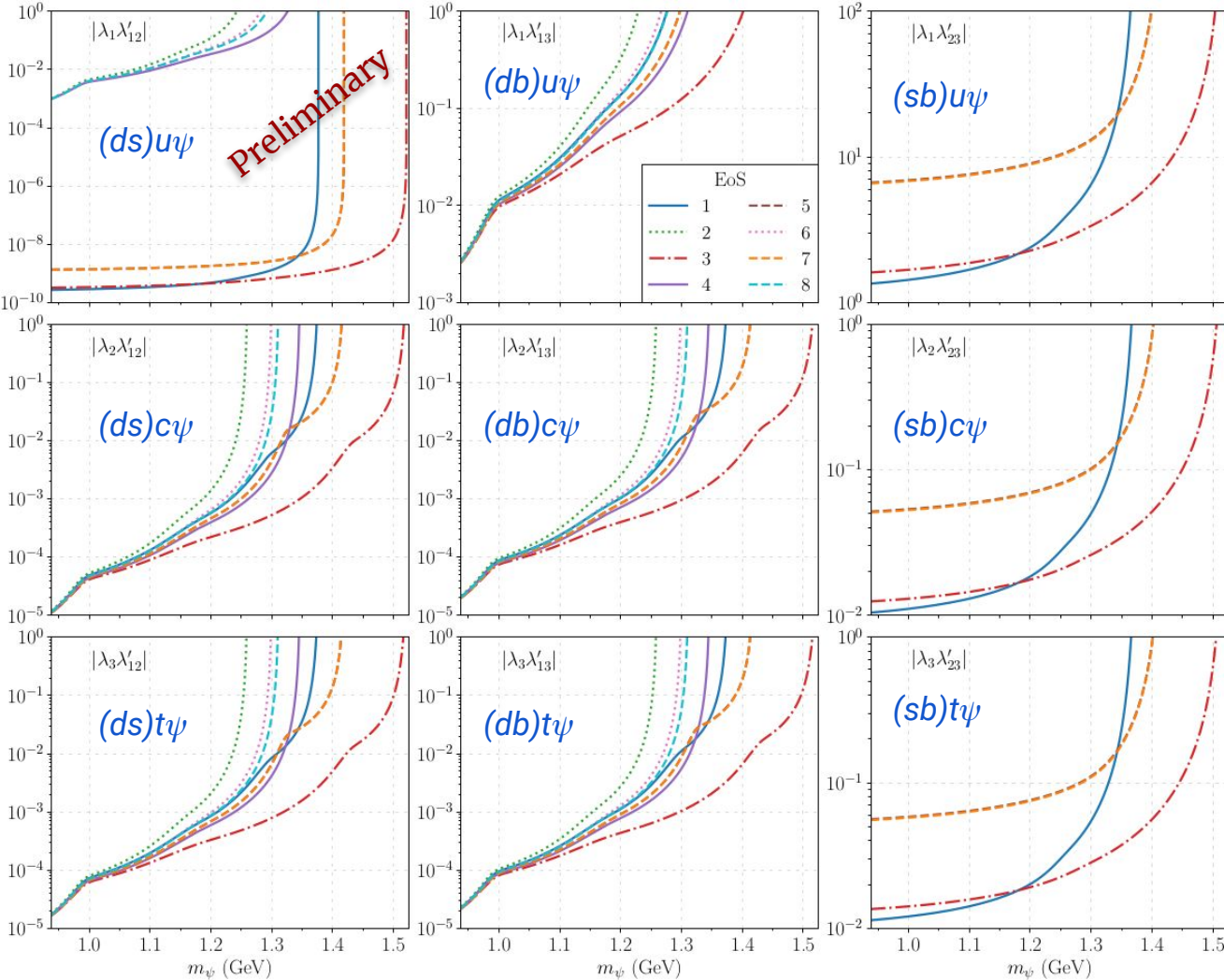
Systems in this study



White dwarf / pulsar binaries

Double pulsar

Name	J0348+0432	J1614-2230	J0737-3039A/B
$M_p (M_\odot)$	2.01(4)	1.908(16)	1.338 185(+12, -14) [A]
$M_c (M_\odot)$	0.172(3)	0.493(3)	1.248 868(+13, -11) [B]
$ \dot{B}/B _{2\sigma} (\text{yr}^{-1})$	1.8×10^{-10}	2.0×10^{-11}	4.0×10^{-13}



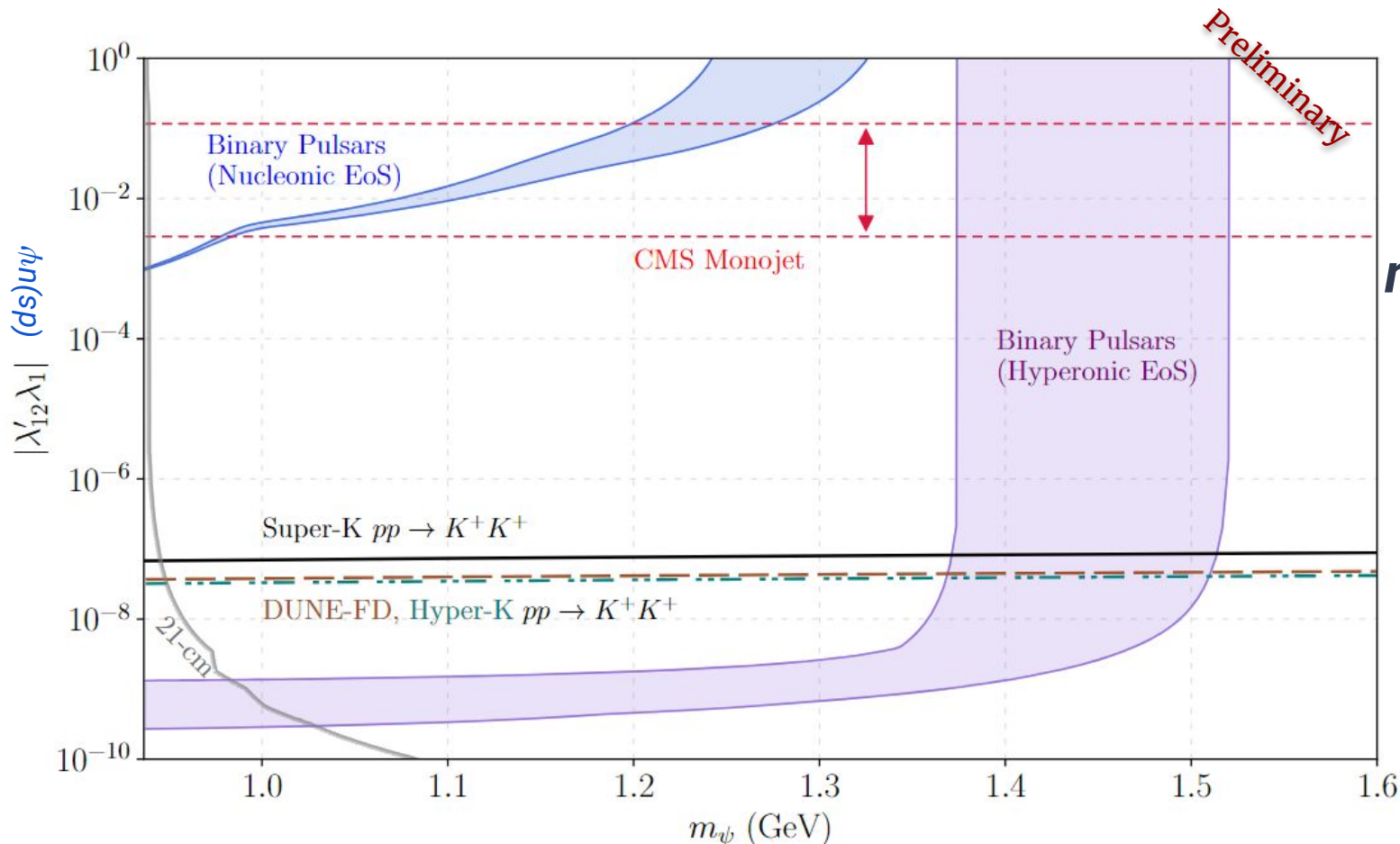
- We looked at constraints on the coupling product

$$|\lambda_k \lambda'_{ij}|$$

- We find stringent constraints from binary pulsars down to the 10^{-5} level (nucleonic Equation of State or EoS)
- Potentially as low as 10^{-9} if we have hyperonic EoS!

$$m_x = 1 \text{ TeV}$$

Comparison with Laboratory Limits: lowest quark generation couplings



$m_X = 1$ TeV

Outlook

- Neutron stars are extremely sensitive probes of baryon number violation; sensitive to TeV scale mediators
- Whether or not NS have hyperonic EoS makes a huge difference – a good motivation to study nuclear matter and strange physics!
- Laboratory probes and colliders complimentary to these bounds for larger masses of the Majorana fermion $> \text{GeV}$, and for higher-generational couplings

Backup Deck

The new physics spurion terms

Integrating out X and matching the operator $dsu\psi$ gives rise to the spurion C^R :

$$\hat{C}^R[(ds)u] = \frac{\lambda'_{12}\lambda_1}{m_X^2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

For the higher generational couplings, the spurion term depends on a loop factor and CKM matrix elements:

$$\hat{C}^R[(ds)u] = \frac{G_F\sqrt{3}}{8\pi^2 m_W^2} \sum_{i,j \neq 1, l \neq k} \lambda_i \lambda'_{kj} V_{il} V_{1j}^* m_{d_j} m_{u_i} F(x_{d_j}, x_{u_i}, x_X) \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\hat{C}^R[(dd)u] = \frac{G_F\sqrt{3}}{8\pi^2 m_W^2} \sum_i \sum_{j \neq 1} \lambda_i \lambda'_{1j} V_{i1} V_{1j}^* m_{d_j} m_{u_i} F(x_{d_j}, x_{u_i}, x_X) \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

What about dark matter laboratory searches?

ψ can be the dark matter if:

$$m_p - m_e < m_\psi < m_p + m_e$$

Consider the Earth-captured ambient DM flux through a large detector:

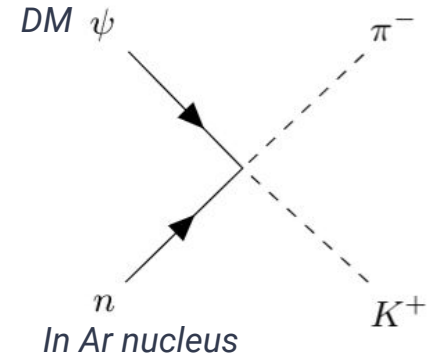
$$f_\psi(\vec{v}) = \frac{1}{N_{\text{esc}} \pi^{3/2} v_0^3} \exp\left(-\frac{(\vec{v} + \vec{v}_\oplus)^2}{v_0^2}\right) \Theta(v_{\text{esc}} - |\vec{v} + \vec{v}_\oplus|)$$

Then look for $\psi n \rightarrow \pi^- K^+$ in the detector; a very unique final state!

E.g. DUNE Far Detector (FD):

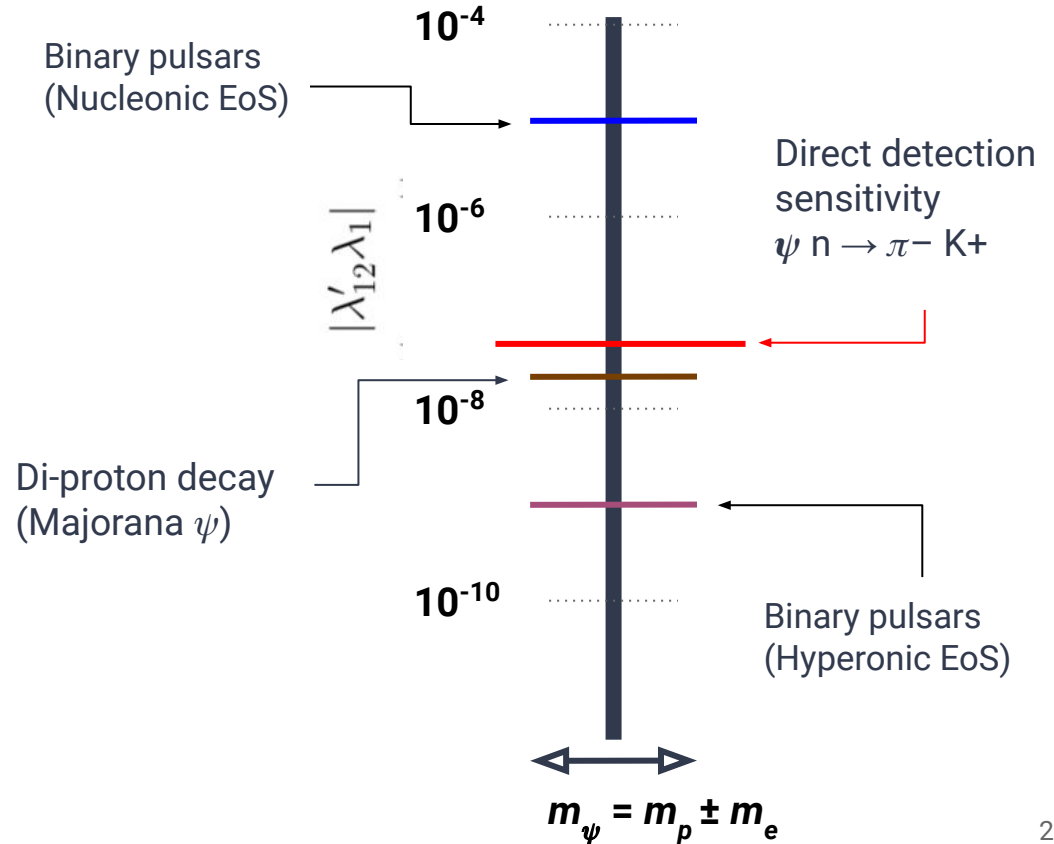
$$|\lambda_1 \lambda'_{12}| > 2.69 \times 10^{-7} \left(\frac{m_X}{\text{TeV}}\right)^2$$

DUNE-FD sensitivity to DM, 90% CL



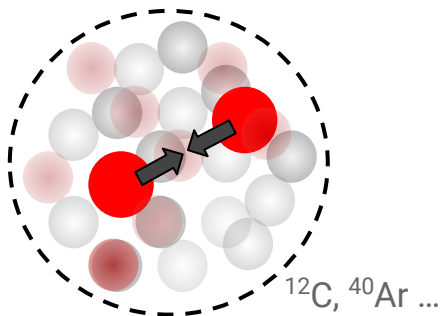
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- Alternatively, ψ could be Dirac with $B=+1$ and assign $B=-\frac{2}{3}$ for the heavy X mediator
- In this case, B is conserved...but hidden away in the dark sector
- For Dirac ψ , the di-proton decay channel vanishes

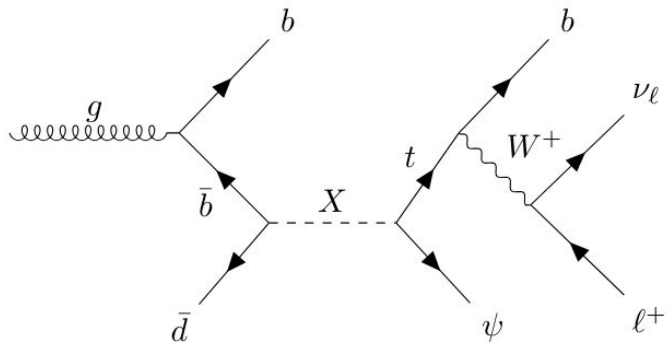


Laboratory Probes

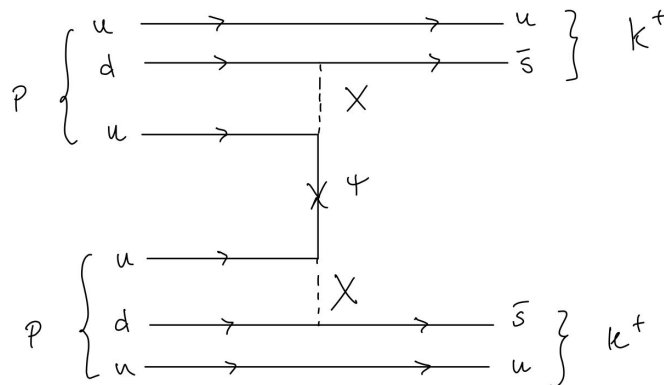
- Collider searches:
 - Monotop, Monojet, and missing energy searches
- BES-III, LHCb: see [2111.12712]
- Di-nucleon decay searches:
 - Super-K: large volume search for spontaneous di-proton decay
 - DUNE-FD? Hyper-K?



See Denis' talk e.g.: [2404.14844]



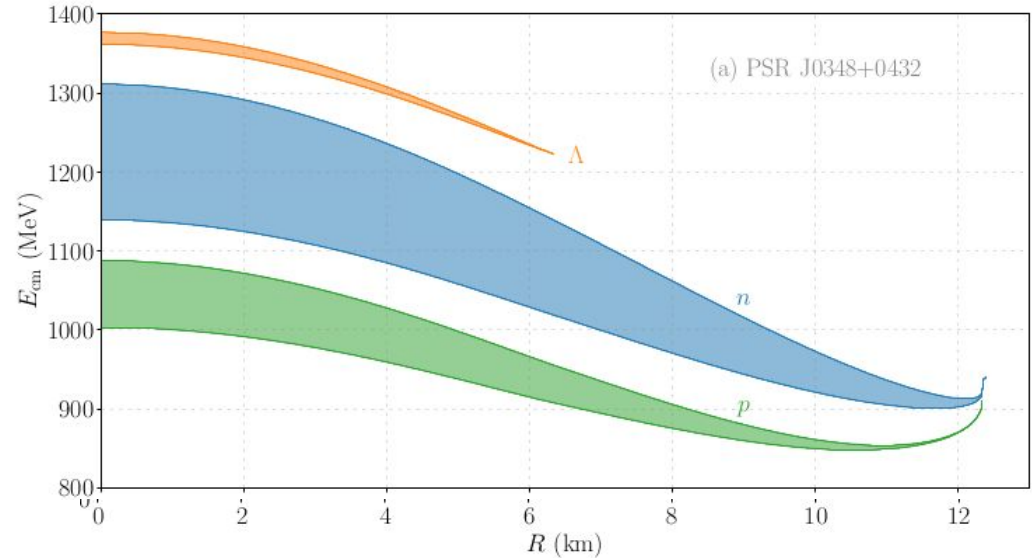
$$\tau(pp \rightarrow K^+ K^+) = \frac{8}{\pi} (\lambda_1 \lambda'_{12})^4 \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{10} \rho_N}{m_p^2 m_\psi^2 m_X^8}$$



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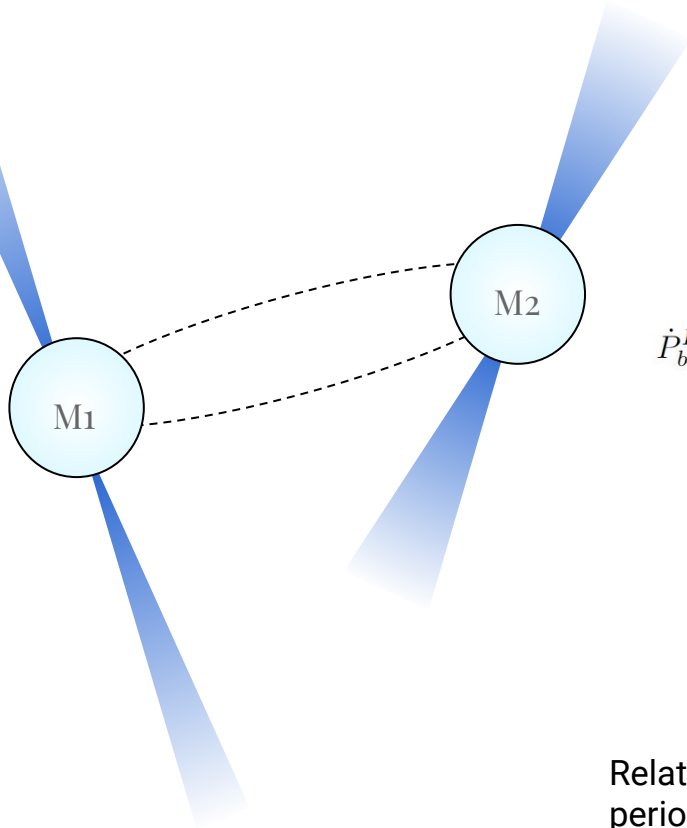
$$k^{*\mu} \equiv k^\mu - \overset{\text{Vector meson self-energy}}{\Sigma^\mu} = \left\{ E^*(k^*), \vec{k} - \vec{\Sigma} \right\}$$

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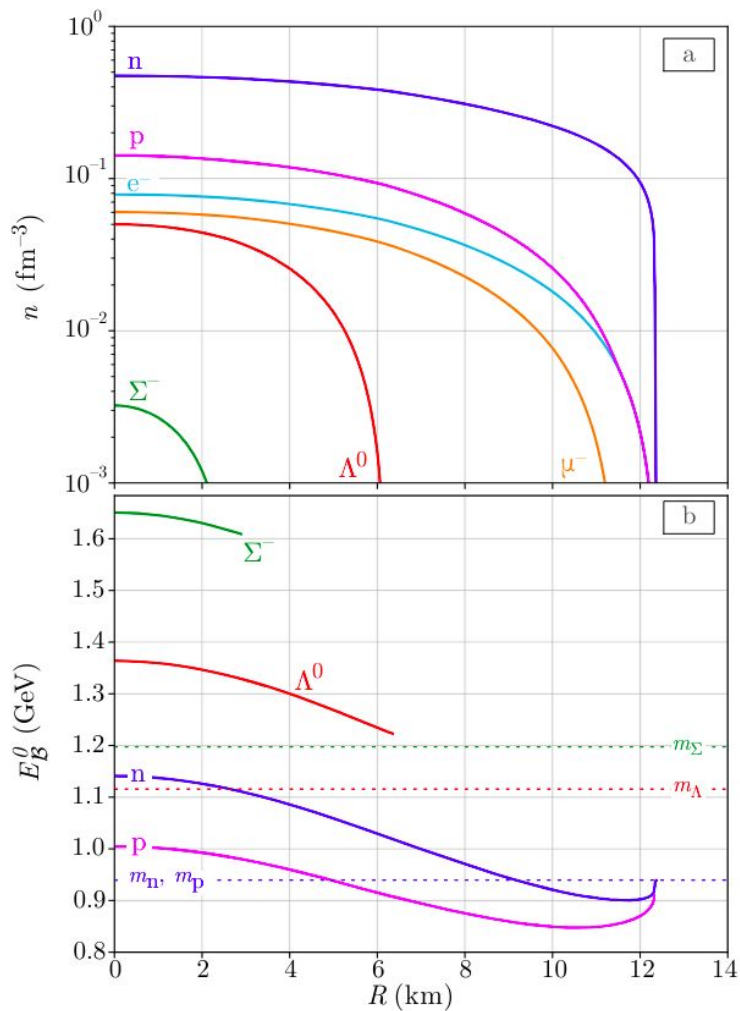
$$\dot{P}_b^{\dot{E}} = -2 \left(\frac{\dot{M}_1^{\text{eff}} + \dot{M}_2^{\text{eff}}}{M_1 + M_2} \right) P_b, \quad \dot{M}^{\text{eff}} = \left(\partial_{\varepsilon_c} M + \left(\frac{\Omega^2}{2} \right) \partial_{\varepsilon_c} I \right) \left(\frac{\dot{B}}{\partial_{\varepsilon_c} B} \right)$$

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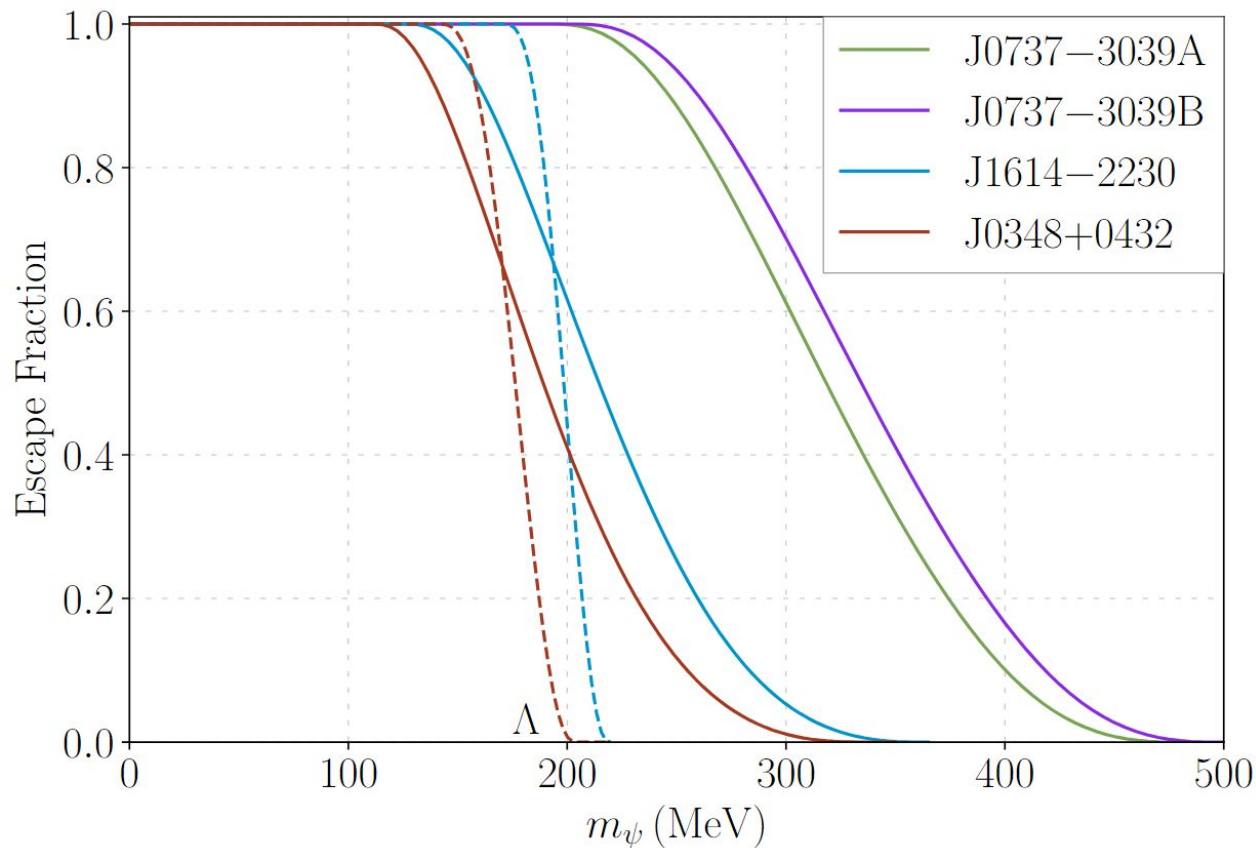
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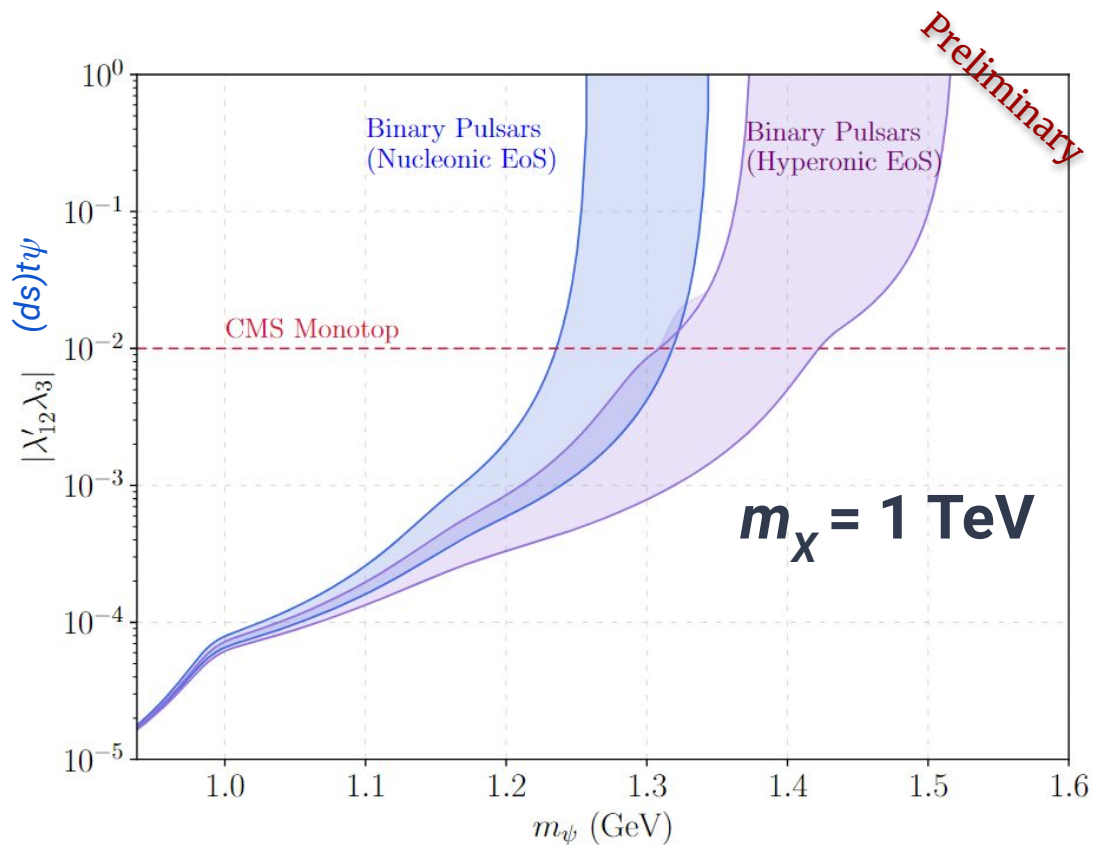
Neutron Star Hyperonic EoS



Possibility of dark sector states escaping the star?



Comparison with Laboratory Limits: Higher generational couplings



- Di-nucleon decays $pp \rightarrow K^+K^+$ highly suppressed for higher generational couplings (CKM + loop suppressed)
- Binary pulsar constraints no longer benefit from pure tree-level couplings to Λ -baryons
- Binary pulsar set leading bounds below $m_\psi < 1.3 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow$ collider searches probe higher masses